Adverse effects of DTH system

1021. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government feel the DTH (Direct to Home) system which provides multi- channel TV programmes directly to subscribers, will have some adverse effect on the DD, like reduction of viewership;

(b) if so, what precautionary measures are contemplated; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that DTH facility is already available in a limited way by roof top antenas?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No, Sir. Doordarshan channels will be available through terrestrial transmitters, through cable network and also through DTH platform.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No Sir. Direct to Home (DTH) Television Service normally refers to distribution of multi channel TV programmes in KU Band or higher band by using a satellite system to beam TV signals direct to subscribers, which can be received by a small antenna, whereas the larger roof top antennas are used to receive Satellite TV Channels in C Band.

Land for Construction of a film Complex

1022. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra Pradesh Government has allotted a prime land for construction of a Film Complex to National Centre for Films for Children and Young People;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the construction of the complex is being unnecessarily delayed;

(c) whether Government have been requested by Andhra Pradesh Government to instruct the National Centre for Films for Children and Young People to construct the Complex at the earliest;

(d) if so, the details of the instructions so issued; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefore?